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SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

The Weather. WASHINGTON, June 7.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday: warmer in Virginia—Fair, Wednesday; warmer in interior, Thursday—Fair, variable winds. North Carolina—Partly cloudy, showers in east, warmer in west portion; Thursday, fair, warmer in east portion; variable winds.

The great heat which has wrapped Richmond about like a blanket was lessened yesterday by a shower and wind-storm.

RANGE OF THE THERMOMETER.

9 A. M.	79
12 M.	86
3 P. M.	90
6 P. M.	86
9 P. M.	79
12 M.	75
Average	80.1-3

Highest temperature yesterday..... 86  
Lowest temperature yesterday..... 70  
Mean temperature yesterday..... 78  
Normal temperature for June..... 70  
Departure from normal temperature..... 8  
Precipitation during past 24 hours..... 0.0

MINIATURE ALMANAC. June 8, 1904.  
Sun rises..... 4:50 HIGH TIDE.  
Sun sets..... 7:27 Morning..... 12:16  
Moon rises..... 1:52 Evening..... 12:30

Richmond.

Councilman West gives the name of N. B. Bacon, a traveling salesman of Manchester, alleging that it was he who offered him a bribe to abstain himself from a critical meeting of the Street Committee under consideration. Congressman James Hay comes out for instruction of Virginia delegation for Judge Parker. Practically certain now that Congressman Hay will be permanent chairman of the convention—State Senator Barkdale retires from race against Congressman Glass—Rev. W. D. Smith of Fredericksburg, elected the first archdeacon of the Diocese of Virginia, and it is likely he will accept the high position in the church—Council caucus nominates officers for the city with few contests and with no great fights—Commencement of the Woman's College and celebration of the semi-centennial of the birth of Barton Heights endorse Mr. John C. Easley for penitentiary board, MANCHESTER, N. H., June 7.—Delegates to State Convention will vote as a unit; Charles L. Page chosen as chairman; W. B. Bradley endorsed for State Committee; Charles L. Page for election, to meet with Third District delegation at Sparks Black's at 10 A. M. to-morrow—Meeting of Street Committee—Death of Mrs. Gill—Negro tried to kill himself by swallowing a lot of glass—Funeral of Mrs. Smith—Boys dismissed for bathing in the river.

Virginia.

On account of heavy downpour many persons who attended memorial exercises at Winchester were forced to camp on roadside because of swollen streams. All the material for the construction of five submarines—A field day in Powhatan; Southern attacks on Governor's official and the ex-Governor defends it—S. Gordon Cumming, of Hampton, opposes W. W. Day for district chairman—D. J. Hargrave, of Norfolk, has just served a term in Fredericksburg for carrying concealed weapons, now heavily fined for cruelty to animals—The funeral of Nathaniel Bacon presented to the county of Gloucester; farmers' day observed and a large gathering present—The postoffice at Virginia Beach admitted in a scientific manner and robbed—Closing exercises at the State Institution for the deaf, the first of the summer—The Circuit Court convenes in its summer term at Wytheville.

North Carolina.

Work commenced on handsome Federal building at Durham—Blight on the Wake county jail—The bonds of the assassins of Lawson Josey raised and the accused are both in jail—Judge J. A. Fisher and mate celebrate their golden wedding in Rowan county—A site selected for a new thousand Carnegie library in Greensboro.

General.

Two British newspaper correspondents attacked by Chinese soldiers and one killed; man was originally an American and it is probable that the United States will take some action in the matter—Believed that Russian fleet at Port Arthur made a sortie—Moors invade an island between two rivers—Moors invade home of Englishman who was absent and demanded his wife to give up his rifle—A party of Englishmen were taken to a party at the "ideal candidate" and says Alabama is strong for the Judge—W. B. Carter, of Virginia, passes through the examination at Annapolis—Grand Army men greatly agitated over Confederate sons of veterans bringing rebel flag with them to Haguerstown, Md.—Araguaa flood situation is greatly improved—Quiet is restored in Cripple Creek and no disturbances occur; blood hounds on trail of assassin loose their scent—Boy eleven years of age breaks into private mail box at Natchez, Miss., and gets checks amounting to thousands of dollars—Southern wholesale grocers open convention in Atlanta—Journeyman plumbers of Atlanta go out on strike—Dominio I Murphy, of Washington, appointed secretary of Panama Canal Commission—Nan Patterson, charged with killing a young man, is in custody of police and now awaits his decision.

ARKANSAS FLOOD SITUATION IS GREATLY IMPROVED

(By Associated Press.) LITTLE ROCK, ARK., June 7.—Cessation of rain brought immediate comfort to the flood-stricken localities along the Arkansas River to-day. Although the river continues rising, reaching a stage of twenty-six feet or three feet above the danger line at Little Rock, the announcement is made that it will come to a standstill to-morrow. Reports of irreparable damage to cotton and corn crops in the lowlands multiply, and the result will be disastrous, because it is now too late for replanting. Thousands of acres of rich bottom lands are under water. Much live stock has been drowned. No report of any loss of life has been received.

21 WANT HELP TO-DAY

The 21 advertisements for help published in today's Times-Dispatch on page 8 are as follows:  
6 Agents. 8 Miscellaneous.  
2 Trades. 8 Domestic.  
2 Stenographers.  
This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

INSTRUCT DELEGATES URGES HON. JAS. HAY

Chairman of Convention a Parker Champion.

MARTIN'S FRIENDS CLAIMING CONTROL

They Declare Cheerfully They Will Have Majority of Delegates—Other Faction.

DISTRICT COMMITTEES MEET THIS MORNING

Ten Conventions Will be Held in Various Sections of the City to Select Electors and Committeemen—Delegates at Large, Electors—Other Gossip.

Delegates to the State Democratic Convention are coming in rather rapidly. Though the convention will not assemble until noon to-morrow, there are already here several hundred of the 1,500 delegates who will compose the convention and they are arriving by every train. An overwhelming majority of those who will attend will be in the city by to-night.

Murphy's, as in days gone by, is a center of political activity, and the lobby of that hostelry was a headquarters for the men of politics last night. Representative Claude A. Swanson arrived early yesterday morning; Senator Martin, accompanied by his brother, Mr. Leslie Martin, came down from their home near Scottsville, last night, and Representative James Hay arrived an hour or so later. They were all at Murphy's last night, though Senator Martin spent the greater part of the evening in his rooms, which were thronged with callers until a late hour. The question of instructing the delegation to St. Louis was more discussed than any other. There is a wide divergence of opinion as to the wise course to be pursued.

Senator Martin and Representative Swanson are inclined to oppose instructions. They want the unit rule adopted. Mr. Hay to be chairman.

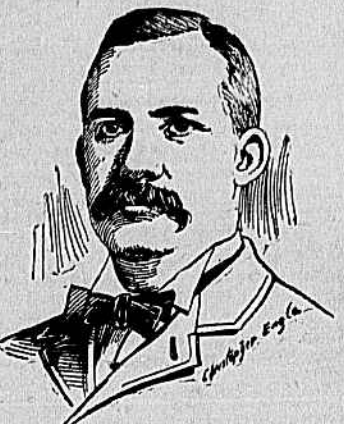
Representative James Hay, who will be the permanent chairman of the convention, favors instructions. State Chairman Ellison is strongly in favor of sending an instructed delegation to St. Louis. So is Colonel Joseph Button, secretary of the State Committee. Hon. Edward Echols, of Staunton, is opposed, and so is Mr. Lee Trinkle, of Wythe, one of the influential men of the Ninth District.

"I think at this particular time Virginia's action would have great influence on the campaign for the nomination," said Mr. Hay, "not only with the States which have not yet chosen delegates, but with those which have selected delegations, and have not instructed them. I think Judge Parker is the strongest man that could possibly be nominated. I believe the people of Virginia are overwhelmingly for him, and that being true it is the duty of the convention to put its wishes into force and effect by instructing the delegation to St. Louis for him."

"If this were not done," continued Mr. Hay, "the wishes of the people of the State might be disregarded, as delegates are not always chosen with a view to their choice for the presidency, but the personal equation enters very largely into their selection, especially in the district meetings."

None to Feel Aggrieved. "No delegate could feel aggrieved at being instructed," said Mr. Hay, "for that could have no objections to being directed to carry out the wishes of the convention, what he must know to be the wishes of his people. I do not suppose any gentleman who favors the nomination of Judge Parker is intending to vote for some candidate, whom he knew was not the choice of the State Convention. The Virginia delegation was instructed for Mr. Bryan in 1900, and I do not recall that there was any opposition to this course."

The advocates of an instructed delegation. (Continued On Second Page.)



HON. JAMES HAY.

ALABAMA IS FOR PARKER

Congressman Richardson Speaks in Glowing Terms of the Judge.

IS AN IDEAL CANDIDATE

All of Alabama's Delegates Are for the New Yorker—Nomination on Second Ballot.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 7.—"Our people are not the kind to disregard an implied obligation, and more than a direct obligation," said Congressman William Richardson, of Alabama, this evening. He was referring to the tacit agreement of the majority of the conservative Democrats of the country to accord to New York the selection of a Democratic candidate for President. "New York having acted definitely and decisively," concluded Mr. Richardson, "and selected through regular channels her most distinguished and latest honored citizen as her choice for our standard-bearer, it remained to us almost a matter of honor, to say nothing of decency, to acknowledge New York's deliberate and well considered action as a hand-some recognition of our own judgment of Judge Parker as an ideal candidate for the conservative Democracy. It is so much of a moral obligation to nominate him, and so much the dictate of the commonest sort of political sagacity, that to fail to do so would, in my opinion, prove a disastrous party mistake."

ALABAMA STRONG FOR PARKER. Mr. Richardson is the only member of Congress from Alabama who was elected one of the delegates to St. Louis. He said the delegation was not instructed, but had there not been the least doubt about the action of the delegates as a body, so strong was the Parker sentiment in the convention, the delegation would have been instructed straight for Parker. As it is, he says, even with the unit rule bridge off, every delegate of the twenty-two from the State, with the barest possible exception of one, would vote for Judge Parker.

There is one thing I think I may say as reflecting what I believe to be the sentiment of the Southern Democrats generally, and that is that dictation and radicalism will not be tolerated at St. Louis, whether from Mr. Bryan, from Tammany bosses, or any body else."

Senator Mallory, of Florida, expressed practically the same sentiments to-night. He said that seven of the ten delegates from Florida would be for Parker and that in his opinion the New York judge would receive the vote of every Southern State, and would be nominated at the farthest before the conclusion of the third ballot.

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MR. SMITH IS ELECTED ARCHDEACON

Was Chosen Yesterday to High Diocesan Office.

HEADQUARTERS WILL BE IN RICHMOND

Will be Missionary in Chief in Diocese, With Salary of Two Thousand Dollars a Year and Traveling Expenses. Assistant for Old Colonial Churches.

The Rev. W. D. Smith, rector of St. George's parish of Fredericksburg, was on yesterday elected to the high office of archdeacon of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, the position created by the recent council held in this city.

While no positive assurance has been received from him there is every reason to believe that Mr. Smith will accept the call made upon him, and will very shortly tender his resignation as rector of the Fredericksburg Church. He will come at once to Richmond, where he will establish his headquarters. The work will probably be taken up immediately or as soon as everything can be gotten into shape by the bishop, who will have direct supervision of the labors of the archdeacon.



REV. W. D. SMITH.

The new pastorate is a very important one in the diocese. It was created after a long discussion in the council, and the bishop was authorized to nominate a man to the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society, which would elect. This bishop Gibson did yesterday, and the election promptly followed. The archdeacon will be missionary in chief in the diocese, and is under the bishop, who will have charge of the work in the missionary district not already covered, such as the mountain region presided over by the Rev. F. W. Nave. The salary will be \$2,000 a year and traveling expenses.

Mr. Smith is very widely known throughout Virginia. He is a native of Clarke county, in the Wickliffe neighborhood, north of Berryville. He is a graduate of the Virginia Seminary, and has served churches in Petersburg, Norfolk and Fredericksburg. Mr. Smith is in the prime of his life. He recently lost his wife, who was Miss Lucy Powers, of Richmond.

The committee transacted a mass of other business. It was decided to give to the Rev. Mr. Lee, of Gloucester, an assistant. This is regarded as a very important step. With the aid of the assistant Mr. Lee will be able to open the two old colonial churches—Arlington and Ware—for service every Sunday.

TIDEWATER ROAD WILL BE BUILT

Matters Have Now Been Adjusted and Harmony Prevails Between Contesting Roads.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, June 7.—An officer of the Norfolk and Western said today that it was quite likely that the much discussed Tidewater Railroad, which had been regarded as a bone of contention between Gould and Cassatt interests, would be built, but he was convinced that it would not be unfriendly or detrimental to either the Norfolk and Western or the Chesapeake and Ohio. The projected line will extend through Virginia, this officer said, "and it will be used in developing a new section of coal and timber land in West Virginia, that neither of the Pennsylvania interests enter."

This friendly adjustment of relations, it is believed, was made through the personal mediation of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and it indicates that the Standard Oil interest is not disposed to fight the Pennsylvania Railroad. This is said to be the first step toward a general railway peace in the territory which for so long has been monopolized by Pennsylvania Railroad interests.

WEST NAMES N. B. BACON; LATTER IS IN CUSTODY



NATHANIEL B. BACON.

Sketched at the Station House Last Night While Playing Dominoes.

WAR CORRESPONDENT KILLED BY CHINESE

Officers Nominated

Joint Caucus of Council Agrees on Officials Elective by the Body.

THREE CONTESTS DECIDED

These Were for Fire and Police Commissioners and Were Rather One-Sided.

The joint caucus of the two branches of the City Council to choose those officials and employees of the city elective by the Council was held last night. The caucus organized by electing Alderman William M. Turpin chairman; City Clerk Ben T. August secretary, and Thomas J. Bohen sergeant-at-arms.

The caucus went into the election or nomination of two fire commissioners and two police commissioners to succeed members whose terms will expire July 1st. Then the uncontested officers were elected. There were fifty-one members present and voting. The contests, where there were any, were not sufficiently close to arouse great interest, the results in each case being known before the ballot. Police commissioner J. B. Welsh, of Marshall Ward, was renominated over W. T. Snelling by a vote of 41 to 9. T. N. Perkins was elected a fire commissioner from Henry Ward, the new ward, defeating Dr. J. P. Roy by a vote of 46 to 6. Walter G. Duke, secretary of the City Democratic Committee, was elected police commissioner for Henry Ward without opposition, being an additional commissioner. Mr. Joseph L. Levy defeated Charles Keppeler as fire commissioner for Monroe Ward by a vote of 42 to 9. All these nominations

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LARGE HAUL MADE BY HOTEL ATTACHE

Night Clerk and Bell Boy Steal Jewels and Diamonds Valued at \$50,000.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, June 7.—Fifty thousand dollars' worth of diamonds and jewelry were stolen to-night from Hotel Le Marquis, in east Thirty-first Street. An hour later the valuables were found by the police in a furnished room in East Thirtieth Street, occupied by William J. Dards and George Glockner, night clerk and head bell boy, respectively, at the hotel. Both men are under arrest. The stolen jewels are the property of Mrs. Corwin, wife of a Brooklyn millionaire, and were taken from the apartments at the hotel occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Corwin.

Richmonders in New York. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, June 7.—Elliott-H. L. Haygood and wife; Kensington-W. S. Olds and wife; Vendome-G. A. Raymond and wife; Victoria-Mrs. S. B. Brewster; M. J. Brown, Mrs. Q. W. Moore, Mrs. M. Wright, York-R. J. Hudson.

Former Gives Evidence and Is a Free Man.

BACON TO ANSWER IN COURT TO-DAY

Manchester Man Is Alleged to Have Offered the Much Discussed Bribe.

LONG SIEGE BEFORE THE GRAND JURY

Body Completes Its Labors and Adjourns, But Interesting Developments Are Looked for When Bacon's Trial Is Gone Into in Court To Ask Bail.

Developments yesterday in the grand jury investigation of reports concerning the alleged offer to bribe Councilman West in connection with the award of the smooth pavement contract were the reconsideration of Mr. West's determination not to testify and his subsequent evidence, resulting in the arrest and detention of Nathaniel B. Bacon, of Manchester, whom Mr. West named as the man who he said offered him \$1,500 to abstain himself from the critical meeting of the Street Committee.

Mr. Bacon spent last night in the Second Police Station and will appear before Judge S. B. Witt, of the Hustings Court, at 11 o'clock this morning, to answer the charge against him.

He expressed great surprise at his arrest and up to a late hour this morning had not secured counsel. He will apply for bail to-day.

The grand jury, after hearing Mr. West's statement and examining the other members of the Street Committee and several other witnesses, adjourned.

The above epitome tells concisely the story of the second day's proceeding. The very interesting investigation commenced, and vigorously pressed up to this point, by Commonwealth's Attorney Richardson and Judge S. B. Witt, with the view to discovering if there has been wrong doing in connection with the awards of city contracts, and to punishing the offenders if there be any. The jury held practically an all day session, and while a great many witnesses were examined, it is believed that it was alone the testimony of Mr. West, that led to the climax, which came, amid the utmost public interest, at the end of a long and toilsome day, in the arrest of Mr. N. B. Bacon, of Manchester, a young man of popularity and good family connections, on the charge of "a certain felony" as is stated in the indictment.

Developments Expected. While Judge Richardson declined to discuss the case last night, there are circumstances in connection with Mr. Bacon's detention, which would suggest that he is not a man, who on his own account would likely have any interest in saying contracts, and that if he offered to pay Mr. West a large sum of money to remain away from the critical meeting of the Street Committee in order to break a tie in the interest of one concern or another, he must have acted for others, whose names may be brought out when the trial of Mr. Bacon comes on.

At any rate, this view is held by a great many who know the young Manchester man quite well, and who have a rather intimate knowledge of what goes on around the City Hall. This adds new interest to the matter and every development, however minor in appearance, will be watched eagerly on all sides.

Mr. West Testifies.

Councilman West concluded to testify under the advice of his counsel, Hon. Charles V. Meredith and Dr. Jud. B. Wood, and after making "a clean breast" to the grand jury, was promptly released from custody by Judge Witt. He was a very happy man last night. Mr. West did not attend the joint caucus of the Council, but spent the evening with his family at his home, No. 804 East Clay Street, where, when seen, he politely declined to make any statement for publication. The grand jury after performing their arduous duties in connection with the case, were thanked and discharged by the court. Foreman Starke indicating that they had completed their work.

The body did not take a great deal of time to bring in a verdict regarding the investigation. It is likely that only the question of bail will be considered this morning and if it is allowed the young man will be released and his case set for trial some time during the present term.

Popular Man. While Mr. Bacon said he did not know that he would need counsel, it is learned that Hon. Charles M. Wallace, Jr., will likely appear for him to-day. Mr. Bacon is well known and popular in Manchester, where he has always lived and is a man of family. He is a Mason and an Elk and a member of Meade Memorial Episcopal Church. He could have readily furnished bail last night, but Judge Witt and Councilman West

A FIELD DAY IN POWHATAN

Southall Attacks Cameron's Record and He Defends It—Large Crowd Hears Speaking.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) POWHATAN, C. H. V., June 7.—Yesterday was a field-day in politics in Powhatan. As it was generally known that Southall and Cameron would meet in joint discussion, The crowd in attendance was large, notwithstanding the heat and the loss of time among the farmers. Court was adjourned at 12 o'clock and a mass-meeting organized with Mr. S. Lee Danes in the chair. Congressman R. G. Southall opened in a speech of an hour in which he gave a satisfactory account of his stewardship and then proceeded to review the political record of Governor Cameron from 1879 to the present. His speech was able and eloquent and surpassed any former effort he has made among our people. He was cheered constantly and the crowd was with him. Governor Cameron's reply was devoted to the defense of his record. The debate was in good spirit and on a high plane and was much enjoyed by all. The sentiment in Powhatan is favorable to Southall.